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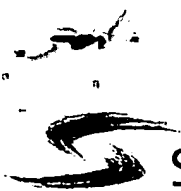
Re: Application of Shay ZAFRIR  
SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR FINANCING COMMERCIAL  
TRANSACTIONS  
Assignee: EFFICIENT FINANCE LTD.  
Our Ref: Q88277

Dear Sir:

The following are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371.
- This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. § 371(f)).
- A copy of the International Application as filed has been communicated by the International Bureau. Copies of the International Application, the International Search Report and cited references, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by §371(c) have been supplied directly by the International Bureau, but a copy is enclosed for the convenience of the UPSTO.
- The International Application and all other papers were filed in the English language.
- The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney are not enclosed but will be submitted at a later date.
- Applicants claim benefit of small entity status in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
- A PTO/SB/08 A&B (modified) listing any ISR/IPER references is enclosed.

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